

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
HOUSTON DIVISION**

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Plaintiff(s),	§	
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v.	§	CIVIL ACTION NO. H-_____
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Defendant(s).	§	

**SCHEDULING AND
DOCKET CONTROL ORDER**

The disposition of this case will be controlled by the following schedule:

DEADLINES

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| 1. | | MOTIONS TO ADD NEW PARTIES
The attorney causing the addition of new parties will provide copies of this Order to new parties. |
| 2. | | AMENDMENTS TO PLEADINGS
All parties may amend before this deadline without filing a motion. |
| EXPERTS | | |
| 3a. | | Plaintiff (or the party with the burden of proof on an issue) will designate expert witnesses in writing and provide the report required by Rule 26(a)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. |
| 3b. | | The opposing party will designate expert witnesses in writing and provide the report required by Rule 26(a)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure |
| MEDIATION/ADR | | |
| 4. | | The parties are to file a joint status report with the court stating whether mediation or other form of ADR would be helpful. If not, the parties are to state the reasons in detail. If so, the parties are to state the form of ADR they think will best suit the case; whether they wish to select a mediator and, if so, who they have agreed to select; when they want to mediate; and any other information relevant to the entry of a court order on mediation/ADR. |

5. _____

COMPLETION OF DISCOVERY

Written discovery requests are not timely if they are filed so close to this deadline that under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure the response would not be due until after the deadline.

6. _____

LIMITS ON DISCOVERY

7. _____

DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS DEADLINE

8. _____

OTHER PRETRIAL MOTIONS DEADLINE

No motion shall be filed after this date except for good cause.

9. _____

JOINT PRETRIAL ORDER AND MOTION IN LIMINE DEADLINE

The Joint Pretrial Order will contain the pretrial disclosures required by Rule 26(a)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Plaintiff is responsible for timely filing the complete Joint Pretrial Order. Failure to file a Joint Pretrial Order timely may lead to dismissal or other sanction in accordance with applicable rules.

10. _____

DOCKET CALL

Docket Call will be held at 2:00 p.m. in Courtroom 11-B, United States Courthouse, 515 Rusk, Houston, Texas. No documents filed within seven (7) days of the Docket Call will be considered. All pending motions may be ruled on at docket call, and the case will be set for trial.

Date

APPROVED:

Counsel for Plaintiff(s)

Counsel for Defendant(s)

LEE H. ROSENTHAL
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Date

Date